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Vintage Festival

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The 73-year-old photograph at right is of the late Otto Dresel, the theme child (as the "Baby Bacchus") of Sonoma's first Vintage Festival in 1897. Otto's father planted grapes at Rhine Farm here in 1858.

On October 11, 1897, the front page of the old San Francisco Call was devoted to an artist's sketch and glowing account of Sonoma's first Vintage Festival which featured a Grecian love story written by Benjamin Weed, replete with Bacchus, nymphs and moonlight in the hills of Rhine Farm.

The San Francisco Call

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SAN FRANCISCO, MONDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 11, 1897.

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AN ARCADIA IN SONOMA'S WOODLANDS

One Eve of Pleasure at the Beautiful Vale of Pansies.

NYMPHS IN A LOVE ROMANCE.

Greek Mythology Given Life in a Moonlit Mountain Canyon.

OUTDOOR REVEL AT THE RHINE FARM.

Brilliant Theatricals Staged on a Greensward Between Wooded Steeps.

If you long for the peaceful joys of Arcadia take the Tiburon boat, which brings you to Sonoma at half-past seven in the evening.

It's a commonplace beginning. The boat will be crowded with hunters, very likely, and the train will stop every now and then to dump them off into some marsh or other. But the end is far from prosaic.

Step into an open carriage when you get to Sonoma town, drive along the sweet-scented, moonlit, tree-shadowed road for about two miles till you come to the mountains. You can't lose your way, for at irregular intervals many-colored lights gleam, now from one side, now from the other. The road winds beautifully in and out, across wooden bridges, up and down and around pretty, dusky corners, but ever ahead a green star or a red firefly twinkles invitingly. Follow confidently, for at the end of the road lies Arcadia.

That is to say, the pastoral city may be found up in the Sonoma hills, but only on one magic night of all the year. He who is seeking for Bacchus and the [illegible] melodious, poetic gamhards and vine-wreathed vintagers must wait till the vintage is over, till the grapes are groaning in the press, till the night is balmy and sweet and the moon fills all the valley with soft radiance—till October 9, in short.

Then for just one mad, moonlight night of all the 365 the god of wine and his nymphs hold sway and mortals become wise with the lore of the ancients, who taught that care was for him who sought bar and pleasure for him who wooed not

Scene in the Vale of Pansies on the Rhine Farm Near Sonoma During the Moonlight Production of Benjamin Weed's Grecian Drama.

Original photograph and front page of
The Call loaned by Mrs. Otto Dresel.

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SONOMA, OCTOBER 9, 1897.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

CRIMINAL LIBEL.

A. H. Chessmore Arrested on Complaint of J. H. Seipp and H. H. Granice.

A. H. Chessmore, late of Kansas, but who has been residing in this valley the past two years, was arrested last Monday morning by Deputy Sheriff Ohm, on complaint of J. H. Seipp, President of the Board of City Trustees, and H. H. Granice, editor and proprietor of THE SONOMA INDEX-TRIBUNE.

The complaint alleges that "Chessmore did wilfully, unlawfully and maliciously with intent to injure, vilify, scandalize and defame the good name and reputation of said J. H. Seipp and H. H. Granice, aforesaid parties being then and there citizens and residents of the said City of Sonoma. That said Chessmore composed, printed and published and expressed by printing in a certain newspaper called the "Sonoma News," published and circulated in the said City of Sonoma, State of California, (whereof said A. H. Chessmore was editor, publisher and proprietor) a certain false, scandalous and malicious libel of and concerning the said J. H. Seipp and H. H. Granice, all of which is contrary to the form of the statute in such cases made and provided and against the peace and dignity of the people of the State of California. Said complainants therefore pray that a warrant be issued for the arrest of the said A. H. Chessmore, and that he may be dealt with according to law."

Defendant Chessmore was taken before Judge Cheney at 10:30 o'clock on the morning of his arrest, who released him on his own recognizance to appear before him for preliminary examination on Tuesday next at 10 o'clock.

The arrest of Chessmore is the outcome of certain publications in his paper reflecting upon the honesty and probity of the plaintiffs.

The INDEX-TRIBUNE has no comments to make. The matter is now in the hands of the courts and we have no desire to forestall a verdict in the case. Let justice be done.

FIRE.

R. R. Thomas' Barn Burned.

On Monday night last at about ten o'clock a barn on R. B. Thomas' place, half a mile east of town, was discovered to be on fire, and in less than an hour the barn, together with its contents, was a smouldering mass of ruins. Everything in the barn, consisting of eight or ten tons of hay, buggies, harness, farming implements, two dogs, etc., went up in the flames. The origin of the fire is unknown, but is supposed to be the work of tramps. Mr. Thomas' loss will be between $500 and $1000. No insurance. The Sonoma Volunteer Fire Company and citizens in general turned out and did effective work in preventing the flames from communicating with the dry grass surrounding the premises, thus saving the residence.

Brevities.

There will be an adjourned meeting of the High School Trustees today at 2 P. M. in the College building on Broadway.

The weather the past week has been extremely favorable for grapes and an abundant yield and a fine quality of wine is now assured. Grape-picking and wine-making is now at its height in Sonoma valley and if present weather continues the vintage season will be over in a few weeks.

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ZELLER VS. BREIT.

Judgment for Plaintiff for $265.50, Interest and Costs of Suit.

The civil suit of Zeller vs. Breit, which was tried in this place last Saturday by Judge Gibson of Glen Ellen filled the Justices' Court to overflowing with the busy (?) people of Sonoma.

The plaintiff, A. Zeller, was represented by Raleigh Barcar of Vacaville while Senator J. S. Enos and R. A. Poppe contended for the defendant, Fred. Breit.

The suit was brought to recover $265.50, amount due on a note executed by defendant in favor of plaintiff, together with interest amounting to $88.50. After hearing the testimony in the case *pro* and *con* Judge Gibson reserved his decision until the following Monday, when he gave judgment for plaintiff Zeller in the sum of $265.50, face value of the note, $88.50 interest and costs amounting to $10.15.

By request of Robt. A. Poppe, attorney for defendant, ten days stay of execution was granted.

An appeal will be taken to the Superior Court by defendant's attorneys, who expect to win the suit in the long run.

A Tip Over and Smash-Up.

Adam Adler and Robt. Wilson of this place, while returning from Santa Rosa on Wednesday night last, had a narrow escape from serious injury. They had reached a point a short distance from Melitta, where the road is very narrow, and were met by an approaching team. In order to avoid a collision they turned slightly to the right and were precipated over a steep embankment. Mr. Wilson jumped as the buggy was going over and saved himself, while young Adler, who held the reins, staid with the rig and was landed at the foot of the decilivity with an over-turned buggy on top of him and a frantic horse struggling to get free from the mix-up. The horse was seized by Mr. Wilson, however, and prevented from running away. Mr. Adler then picked himself up, having fortunately escaped with a few slight bruises, and helped right the buggy, which was badly damaged. The top was smashed and one shaft broken. The latter was spliced together and after patching up the harness, which was more or less broken, they were enabled to reach home at a late hour in the evening. The place where the accident occurred is the only dangerous part of the county road between this place and Santa Rosa and ought to receive the attention of Supervisor Austin, in whose district it is situated.

Robbery.

A bold robbery was committed last Tuesday morning on the Winkle and Dresel places, two miles east of town. The cabin of Fred. Schultz, a teamster employed on the Winkle place, was entered by sneak thieves, who broke open a trunk and rifled it of its contents. Among other articles secured by the thieves was a fine field glass, a pair of gold sleeve buttons and a purse containing a small sum of money. A buckskin purse filled with a large sum of coin was overlooked by the thieves for the reason that it did not happen to be in the trunk, but was hid elsewhere. The thieves, after looting Schultz's cabin, entered a house occupied by six Chinese on the Dresel place, which adjoins the Winkle farm. The inmates were working at the winery only about one hundred yards distant, but this did not deter the thieves from carrying off almost everything in sight. They took all they could lay their hands upon—blankets, clothing, tobacco and money—and made good their escape. The thieves were no doubt well acquainted with the premises they raided and are evidently residents of this valley.

Texas Horse Fly.

The Texas horse fly is attacking many horses in this valley. The fly, whose sting is exceedingly poisonous, generally attacks the animal on the breast, which swells up enormously. Dr. T. A. Nufer, the veterinary surgeon, has successfully treated six or seven cases the past week. It would be well for our farmers to examine their horses critically in order to guard against serious results from the attack of the fly. If proper remedies are applied in time the attack of the pest can be combatted easily. Otherwise the animal may die or at least be rendered useless.

Highest Market Price Paid for Dried Fruit.

Parties having dried fruit for sale will consult their interest by calling on John Batto & Son., Vineyard Station, Sonoma county, Cal. P. O. address, Sonoma.

"THE VINTAGE FESTIVAL."

To be Produced at Rhinefarm this Evening.

The much-talked-of "Vintage Festival" at the "Vale of Pansies," will take place this evening at Rhinefarm, the estate of the Gundlach, Bondschu and Dresel families. A large number of invitations have been issued in this valley and San Francisco. The features of the Festival, which will be produced on a magnificent scale, will be the presentation of a lyric drama, written by Benj. Weed, principal of the Sonoma High School, especially for this occasion. The drama will be presented in the open air at 9 o'clock in the evening, red and green fire being used to light up the scene and forest of surrounding trees. The presentation will be in two acts. In the first act a love affair will be introduced in which a young goatherd and his affianced, the daughter of a vineyardist, will be the principal characters. In this act an invocation is offered up to Bacchus, as the marriage of the young people is dependent upon a full crop of grapes. In the second act a happy vintage scene is introduced and expressions of gratitude are offered to Bacchus for answering the prayer of the young couple for a bounteous crop, and the marriage takes place amid great rejoicing. The time and scene is ancient Greek and the characters in the play will be the lovers, Bacchus, nymphs, goatherds and vintagers. The spot chosen for the presentation is one of the most picturesque in Sonoma Valley.

Following is the cast of characters:

Bacchus	Robert Bien
Nymphs	Miss Frauenholz, Miss Hope, Miss Thorndyke, Miss Granice
Goatherds	V. Goodwin, H. Gundlach, R. M. Sims, Benj. Weed
Vintager's daughter	Miss Gundlach

VINTAGERS.

Miss Duhring	Rudolph Bundschu
Miss Campbell	H. Hyde
Miss Bundschu	Chas. Cutter
Miss Bien	C. Prunty
Miss Stranch	L. Leach
Miss A. Bundschu	C. Gaines
Messrs. Walter Bundschu	Carl Bundschu, Ralph Bundschu

BIG BASALT BLOCK SALE.

S. Schocken Disposes of 150,000 to San Francisco Parties.

One hundred and fifty thousand basalt blocks were sold to San Francisco parties one day this week by S. Schocken. The blocks are piled up alongside the switch of the S. F. & N. P. Railway in this place ready for shipment. A large number have already been shipped the past few days and the balance will go forward as fast as flat cars can be secured to transport the blocks to the city. Mr. Schocken has one of the most extensive basalt block quarries in the county and during the past fifteen years has shipped millions of blocks to the metropolis for street paving purposes. Of late years the industry has been on the decline, but the sale just recorded goes to show that it is picking up again. At one time the industry gave employment to over 300 men in this place.

City Trustees.

A regular semi-monthly meeting of the City Trustees was held last Wednesday evening. The following Trustees were present: Messrs. Seipp, Bulotti, Modini and Poppe. Shortly before the meeting adjourned Trustee Hartin appeared and took his seat also.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, after which bills as follows were allowed and ordered paid:

John Revie, labor	$ 1.40
G. S. Harris, street sprinkling	46.00
Wm. Green, lumber	7.60
J. E. Robin, salary, etc	16.00
Total	$73.50

John N. Stademan's bond for $75, with H. H. Granice and Henry Castagnasso as sureties, for the faithful performance of work to be done on Second street East, was approved by the Board, and Mr. Stademan was granted one month's extension of time in which to complete the work.

A warrant was drawn in favor of the City Marshal for $4.38 and he was instructed to pay the rebate on personal property taxes collected by the City Assessor.

Clerk Robt. Poppe was instructed to have the deed for the extension of First-street East executed by Messrs. Schocken and Aguillon.

The Street Committee was instructed to employ a surveyor to establish the grade of the extension of First-street East, from Spain street to the depot grounds.

The sum of $50 was appropriated for gravel to be used on the public streets.

The Board then adjourned.

CASTORIA.

We furnish the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher in every wrapper.

PERSONAL AND SOCIAL

And Other Matters of Interest to the General Reader.

Items of a personal and social nature are thankfully received at this office.

R. M. Sims visited the metropolis Wednesday.

Henry Weyl returned from Healdsburg Sunday.

Miss Eva Prunty will spend the winter in Mexico with her sister Mrs. Sharpe.

P. Delport of Santa Clara Valley was the guest of Robt. Hall on Wednesday last.

Mrs. G. M. Chase and her son George and Miss Alice Chase are visiting at the Seipp ranch.

Miss Dora Howe has returned to El Dorado county, where she expects to remain for some time.

Mrs. Walliser, accompanied by her daughter and son, visited San Francisco and Oakland last Saturday.

Thos. Foley of San Francisco was the guest of his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Grothaus, last Sunday.

F. Clewe visited Napa on business last Wednesday. Mr. Clewe was accompanied by his daughter, Miss Doris.

Miss Ruth Richards, the pretty little niece of Mr. and Mrs. Schuster, has returned to her home and school in Nevada City.

Mrs. Harry Eaton (nee Eloisa Pauli), who has resided in New York City the past nine years, has moved to Brooklyn, N. Y.

Wm. Smith and family of Oakland have leased the Lawrence residence on Terrace Hill, where they will reside in the future.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. N. Cheney are rejoicing over the birth of a son, which was born to them on last Saturday evening, October 2nd.

Mrs. Bondschu and family from San Francisco are enjoying the week at Rhinefarm, the old home of Mrs. Bondschu (nee Gundlach.)

The students and teachers of the High School are enjoying a vacation this week. Several of the young people are out grape-picking.

Mrs. Fred. D. Spaulding, after spending several weeks with her parents, will return next week to her handsome home in San Francisco.

Mrs. Clara Sharpe and children, after a several months' visit with relatives near this place, will leave in a few weeks for their home in Mexico.

W. W. Skaggs is down from Santa Rosa and has assumed charge of the U. S. bonded warehouse at this place until the 1st of November.

N. R. Knight has returned from the Sandwich Islands, where he has been engaged as paymaster on one of Spreckles' sugar plantations for the past eighteen months.

Mrs. Robt. Howe received the news yesterday of her mother's serious illness. She left for Santa Cruz this morning, where she will remain until all danger is passed.

Robt. Howe of Eden Dale farm has had thirteen men employed in picking quinces the past week. His quince crop this season will prove almost as valuable as nuggets from the Klondyke.

Peter Gordenker, formerly of this place, has come in second winner in the class tournament of the State University at Berkeley. Arrangements are now being made for a match with the Sacramento Club.

Conductor Johnson of the Sonoma and Glen Ellen branch of the S. F. & N. P. Railway is enjoying a two week's vacation. Mr. Cummings, the obliging young conductor on the main road, is filling conductor Johnson's place.

The many friends of Mrs. Robt. Hall will be pleased to learn that she has so far recovered from her late illness as to be able to visit friends in San Francisco. Mrs. Hall made the journey on Tuesday last and returned home the same evening.

Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Osborne of the California Home entertained the Grangers of California on Wednesday last with a fine luncheon under the shade trees surrounding the Home and an entertainment in the afternoon. It is needless to add that the hospitality of the doctor and his estimable wife on this occasion will long be remembered with pleasure by the Grangers.

The grand ball and prize dance to be given at Union Hall on Friday evening, October 15th, promises to bring together a large gathering of Sonoma Valley people. A big delegation will be down from Glen Ellen to compete for the prizes which will be awarded to the most popular lady and to the most graceful lady and gentleman dancer. The floor will be under the management of Col. Harrison, assisted by Chas. Ohm, A. A. Enke and Robt. Pasch. The admission will be $1, ladies free. A fine supper will be served for 25 cents.

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H. Hartin and family spent last Wednesday in the metropolis.

Ex-Supervisor P. H. Thompson visited Santa Rosa last Monday.

P. Baletti of Napa visited his daughter, Mrs. Quartaroli, Thursday.

Miss Sadie Cady is being royally entertained by her Santa Anna friends.

Mrs. Pauline McMullen of Schellville is spending the week with her mother, Mrs. Bates.

Young ladies desiring to learn millinery would do well to call upon Mrs. G. H. Hotz, Sonoma.

Miss Claire Hope returned home Wednesday, after spending some time with relatives near Petaluma.

Miss Mabel Lowell came up from Berkeley last Sunday and visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Lowell. Miss Lowell is a student of the University of California.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Quartaroli are having the old Swiss Hotel, on the west side of the Plaza, remodeled and will open up the same under a new name on the 1st of next month. New flooring has taken the place of the old and new doors and windows are being put in. An addition, 16x18. feet, will also be erected, which will be used for a barroom and billiard parlor.

The marriage of Mr. Robt. J. Gilbert, formerly of this city, and Miss Marguerite Sophey of San Francisco was celebrated in the church of Notre Dame De Victories, October 2nd. The church was very tastefully decorated for the occasion and at the hour appointed, 8 o'clock, the bridal party entered amid the strains of Medellsohn's wedding march. The bride is the daughter of the late Joseph Sophey, the pioneer carriage manufacturer of San Francisco. The groom is a popular young rectifier in the wholesale liquor house of the G. Cohn Company. Mr. George Gilbert, brother of the groom, acted as best man and Miss M. C. Mann of Portland, Oregon, attended the bride. The bride was very simply but tastefully gowned in white, organdie, trimmed in valenciennes lace and ribbons. Her veil was confined to the coiffure by a spray of bride's roses. The bridesmaid was becomingly attired in white organdie, trimmed in lace and pink ribbon and carried a bouquet of La France roses. Amid showers of rice the bridal party departed from the church. On account of the recent death of the bride's father no reception followed. Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert were the recipients of many beautiful and costly presents.

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